Arrest of ISI trained ultras

5685. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that recently security forces in the country arrested ISI trained ultras in connection with a series of train bomb blasts on 6th December, 1993:

(b) if so, the number of person arrested and their nationality;

(c) whether Government propose to release them in batches, as was done in the case of militants holed up in Hazrat Bal Shrine; if so, by when they will be released; and

(d) what is Government,s policy in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) 7 persons were arrested by CBI and 6 by the Bombay and Hyderabad Police in connection with the five bomb blasts which occurred on 5th & 6th December, 1993. They are all Indian nationals. Investigations are on to probe if they were trained by ISI.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) As soon as the investigations are completed, chargesheet will be filed against the accused persons and law will take its course.

ISI bases in India

5686. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) names of the places detected in the country where Pak Intelligence agency (ISI) has established its bases;

(b) number of persons arrested and details of arms and ammunition seized as a result of such detection ;

(c) whether Government have enquired into the establishment of these bases;

(d) if so, the result of the enquiry; and

(e) action taken against those found guilty in this matter and also to stop the entry of such persons into the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) (a) Though the Pak ISI continues to aid and abet terrorism in the country, no place has been identified where Pak ISI has established its base.

(b) to (e) Question does not arise.

Removal of pillars on Indo-Myanmar border

5687. SHRI MATANG SINH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased o state:

(a) whether it is a fact that pillar numbers 64, 65 and 67 on Indo-Myanmar border have been removed by some people of Myanmar;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether these people have also occupied about 6 sq. Km. land belonging to India;

(d) if so, the action being taken by Government to recover the above land from their occupation and avert such incidents in future;

(e) whether the matter has been taken up with the Government of Myanmar; and

(f) if so, the reaction of the Government of Myanmar thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) to (f) Do not arise.

Plot for formation of United State of Kashmir

5688. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item appearing in the Hindi edition of the Sunday Mail (dt. 13th March, 1994) regarding a sinister plot being hatched in the Pak occupied region of Kashmir, by the Jammu and Kashmir National Peoples Party for formation of a United State of Kashmir comprising of light republics independent of India and Pakistan, which would also include the entire valley; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto and what steps Government propose to take to prevent such mischief ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) The Government is aware of the report in question. It is a fact that various elements in Pakistan/Pak occupied Kashmir have been indulging in activities aimed at promoting terrorism and secessionism in Jammu & Kashmir, including propaganda to mislead people both in the Valley and at the International level. The Government has been taking necessary steps to curb activities of the terrorist in the State and to check infiltration. Steps have also been taken at the Diplomatic level and through other channels to counter the propaganda and disinformation being spread by Pakistan in respect of Jammu & Kashmir.

Tibetan refugees in Sikkim

5689. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Union Home Ministry has conveyed its concern to the Sikkim Government about the manner in which Tibetan refugees leave Sikkim clandestinely, return to Sikkim and yet are allowed to retain 'refugee' status, contrary to Government decision as has been published in the 'Indian Express' of the 16th March, 1994:

(b) if so, whether Government propose to make a more thorough enquiry into the goings on in Sikkim and take sterner steps; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) Government of India had received reports that some Tibetan Refugees stationed in Sikkim visited Kathmandu without permission. The Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, conveyed its concern to the Sikkim Government. Powers to take action in such matters are visited in the State Governments, Union Territory Administrations. However, Government of Sikkim have reported that they have no information of any such incident in Sikkim. The instructions were reiterated and the Government of Sikkim were advised to follow the instructions and ensure strict compliance and appropriate action in